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# POSTAVY ARMY BARRACKS

## POSTAVY, USSR

### BELORUSSIAN MD



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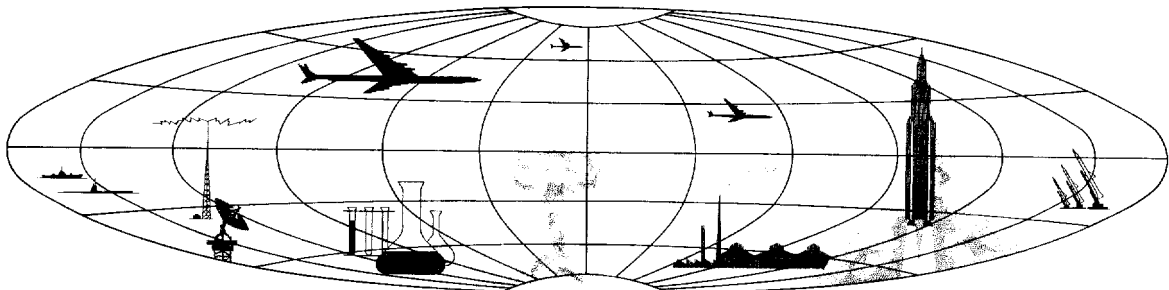
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**PREFACE**

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Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training area or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

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**POSTAVY ARMY BARRACKS**  
**(55-07N 026-53E)**  
**POSTAVY, MOLODECHNENSKAYA OBLAST, USSR**  
**BELORUSSIAN MD**

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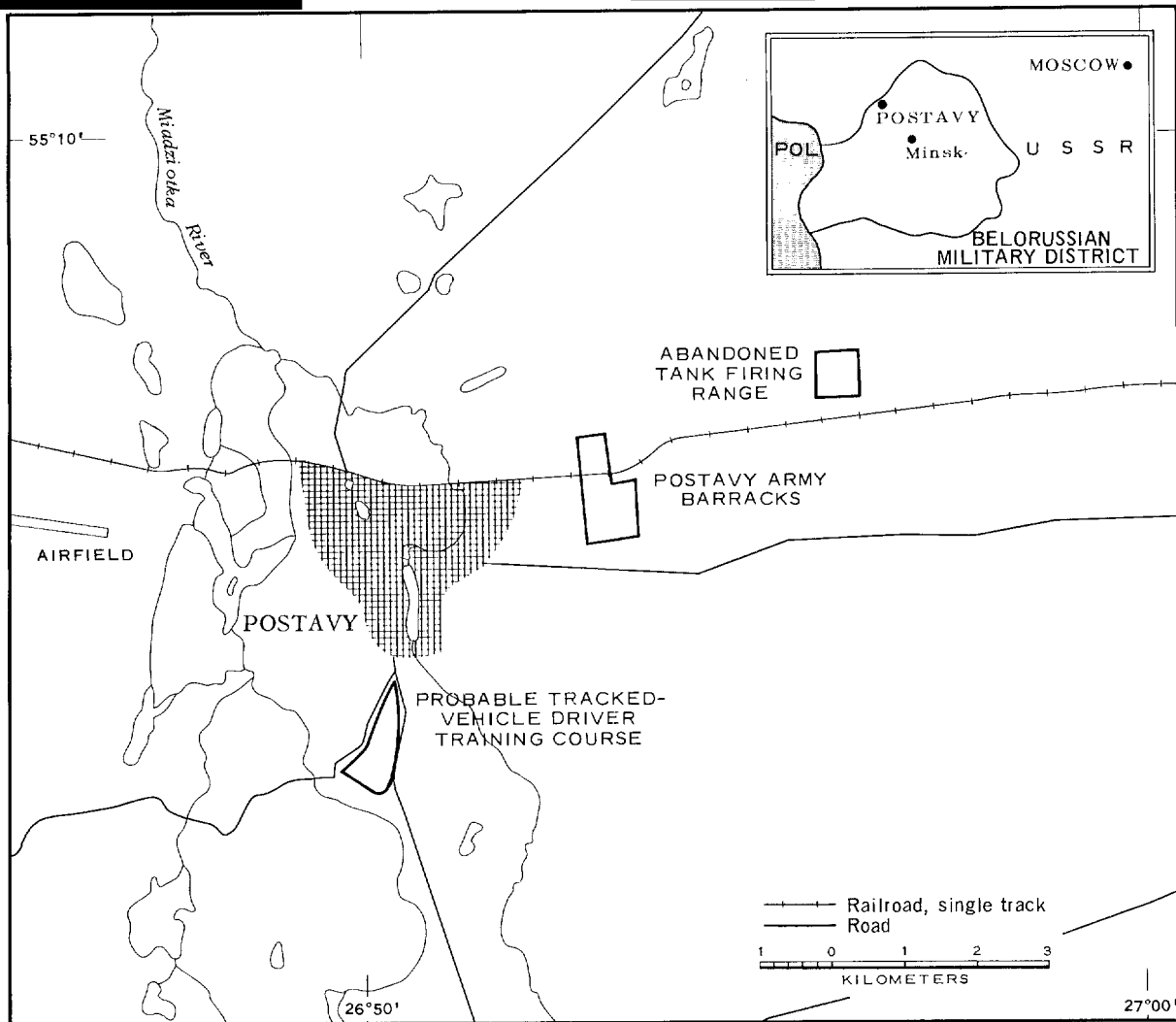


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF POSTAVY ARMY BARRACKS.

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**SUMMARY**

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Postavy Army Barracks is located 3 kilometers (km) east of Postavy (55-07N 026-50E) along the Postavy-Krulevshchina rail line (Figure 1). The installation does not appear to be directly rail served, but a good road leads to a rail siding one km northwest of the installation. Secondary roads connect with Postavy and the all-weather Polotsk-Vilnius highway. An abandoned tank firing range located 4 km northeast and a probable tracked-vehicle driver training course located 5.5 km southwest are associated with this installation. Postavy Army Barracks (AL-3) is located 5 km west.

The installation (Figures 2 and 3) covers approximately 270 acres and contains three administration buildings, 10 barracks, four probable barracks, 27 support buildings, 29 storage

buildings, three possible storage buildings, 41 probable dependent quarters, and two vehicle maintenance areas with 12 vehicle sheds, two maintenance buildings and five support buildings.

The area is covered by [REDACTED] photography and five KEYHOLE missions between [REDACTED]. Comparative analysis reveals heavy activity in the summer months and reduced activity in the winter months. Significant changes include the addition of 41 probable dependents quarters, eight storage buildings, 12 support buildings, and three vehicle sheds between [REDACTED]. Four additional storage buildings and three possible storage buildings were first observed on [REDACTED] coverage.

**DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION**

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**Railroad Service**

The single track Postavy-Krulevshchina rail line runs through the north part of the installation. A rail siding is located one km northwest of the barracks area and is directly accessible by a good road.

**Road Service**

Secondary roads provide access to Postavy and the all-weather Polotsk-Vilnius highway.

**Administrative and Troop Housing Areas**

Area D1 (Figure 3) has three administration buildings, 10 barracks, and seven support buildings.

Area D2 has four probable barracks.

Track activity indicates both areas are occupied.

**General Storage Areas**

Area E1 has eight storage buildings. Two of the buildings were added between [REDACTED] and three were added between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

Area E2 has five storage buildings.

Area E3 has five storage buildings.

Area E4 has three possible storage buildings which were first observed on [REDACTED] coverage. A security fence was constructed between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

**Other Buildings**

There are 15 support buildings and four storage buildings, one of which is secured, dispersed outside designated functional areas. Eleven support buildings were added between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

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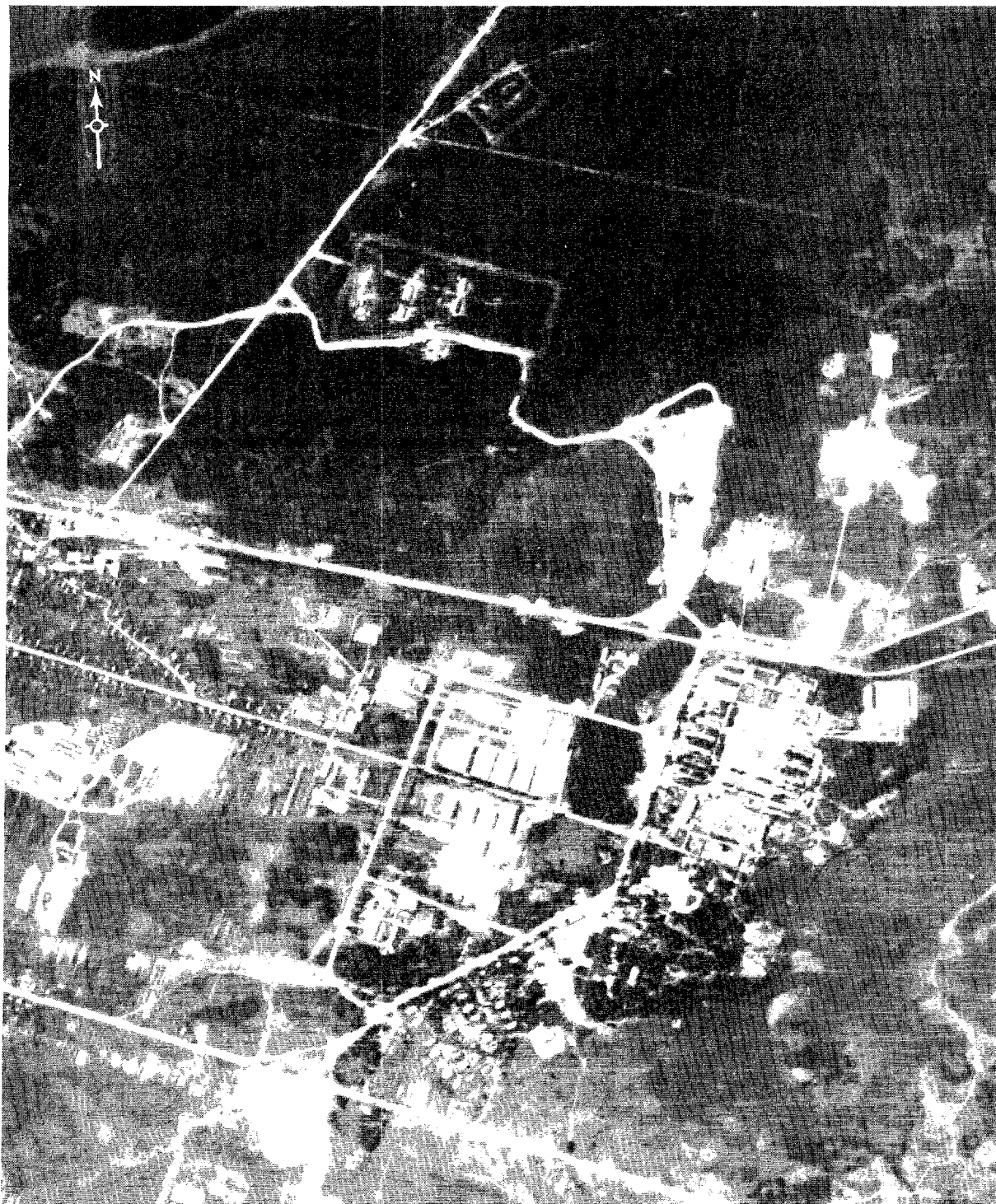


FIGURE 2. POSTAVY ARMY BARRACKS, POSTAVY, USSR, [REDACTED]

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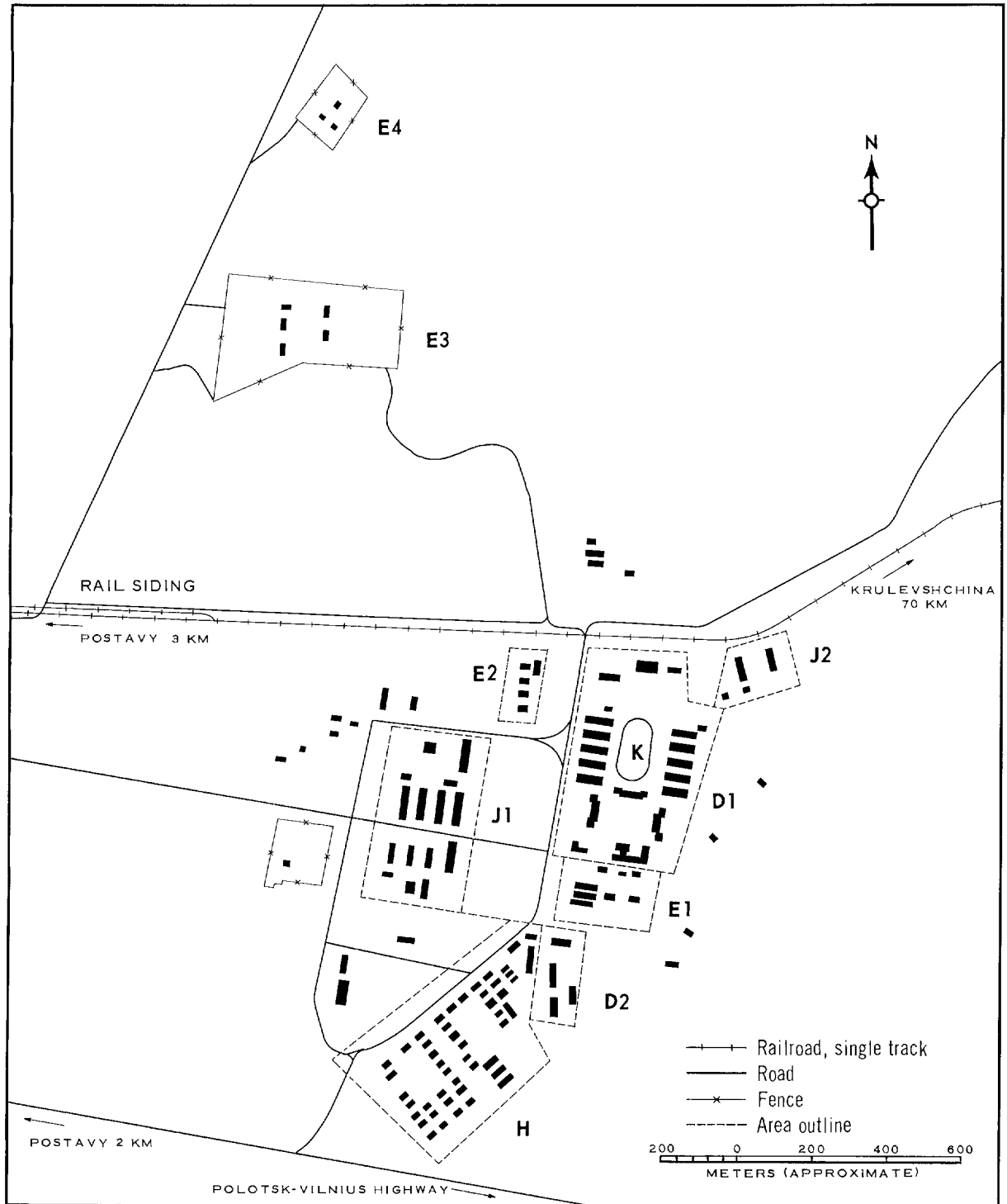


FIGURE 3. POSTAVY ARMY BARRACKS. Sketch compiled from Mission [REDACTED]

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Area H contains 41 probable dependents quarters and seven storage buildings. All buildings were constructed between [REDACTED] [REDACTED] except for one storage building which was added between [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

#### Equipment Storage/Maintenance Areas

Area J1 has six 230- by 40-foot vehicle sheds, four 145- by 40-foot vehicle sheds, two 70- by 55-foot maintenance buildings, and three support buildings. The two 230- by 40-foot sheds and one of the 145- by 40-foot sheds were added between [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Area J2 has two 180- by 40-foot vehicle sheds and two support buildings. One of the support buildings was added between [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

#### Athletic Fields

Area K is an athletic field.

#### Driver Training Area

An associated, closed-circuit, probable tracked-vehicle driver training course (not depicted on Figures 2 or 3) is located 5.5 km southwest of the installation. This facility was observed as active on [REDACTED] TALENT photography and all KEYHOLE missions.

#### Tank/Assault Gun Firing Range

TALENT photography in [REDACTED] revealed a small tank firing range (not depicted on Figures 2 or 3) with five moving target runs, of which two were active, located 4 km northeast of the barracks area. On [REDACTED] photography, this range appears abandoned.

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